

JOURNAL OF THE HOUSE.

Thursday, June 10, 2004.

Met at eight minutes past eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session, with Mr. Donato of Medford in the Chair (having been appointed by the Speaker, under authority conferred by Rule 5, to perform the duties of the Chair).

Prayer was offered by the Reverend Robert F. Quinn, C.S.P., Chaplain of the House, as follows:

Eternal God, we take a moment to recall Your presence in our midst and to pray for Your direction and assistance as we address and implement the day's long list of things to do and decisions to make. Your help enables us to evaluate more accurately legislative reports, to sift through, more quickly, vast amounts of information and data and to comprehend more fully the needs of people and our communities. We also need a clarity of vision to sort out the objective issues from the biased, the true from the false and the special interests from the common good. In our diverse society, may we agree on the meaning and importance of the common good.

Grant Your blessings to the Speaker, the members and employees of this House and their families. Amen.

At the request of the Chair (Mr. Donato), the members, guests and employees joined with him in reciting the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Resolutions.

The following resolutions (filed with the Clerk) were referred, under Rule 85, to the committee on Rules:

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hillman of Sturbridge) honoring the Fraternal Order of Eagles of Massachusetts;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hillman of Sturbridge) congratulating William Lempart on the occasion of his retirement;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Hillman of Sturbridge) congratulating Cecilia Zajk on the occasion of her retirement;

Resolutions (filed by Messrs. Mariano of Quincy and Driscoll of Braintree) congratulating Joseph F. Cirigliano on the occasion of his retirement;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Nymann of Hanover) recognizing Doctor William G. Compton on the occasion of his retirement;

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Peisch of Wellsley and Linsky of Natick) honoring Dr. Kevin P. Crowley on the occasion of the dedication of the Dr. Kevin Crowley Memorial School Community Playground;

Resolutions (filed by Mr. Rush of Boston) congratulating James Kilduff of West Roxbury on receiving the 2004 Parkway Soccer Community Service Award; and

Resolutions (filed by Representatives Wolf of Cambridge and Rushing of Boston) honoring Robert W. Tobin;

Mr. Scaccia of Boston, for the committee on Rules, reported, in each instance, that the resolutions ought to be adopted. Under suspension of the rules, in each instance, on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline, the resolutions (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) were considered forthwith; and they were adopted.

Papers from the Senate.

The House Bill relative to the dissemination of criminal offender record information to the operators of camps for children (House, No. 4610) came from the Senate passed to be engrossed, in concurrence, with an amendment inserting before the enacting clause the following emergency preamble:

"Whereas, The deferred operation of this act would tend to defeat its purpose, which is forthwith to regulate further the dissemination of certain criminal offender record information, therefore it is hereby declared to be an emergency law, necessary for the immediate preservation of the public convenience."

Under suspension of Rule 35, on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline, the amendment (reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was considered forthwith, and it was adopted, in concurrence.

A petition of Andrea F. Nuciforo, Jr., Robert A. DeLeo, Steven C. Panagiotakos, Christopher G. Fallon and other members of the General Court for legislation to provide remedies to consumers for clearing title after payoff of mortgages, came from the Senate referred, under suspension of Joint Rule 12, to the committee on Banks and Banking.

The House then concurred with the Senate in the suspension of said rule; and the petition (accompanied by bill, Senate, No. 2386) was referred, in concurrence, to the committee on Banks and Banking.

Reports of Committees.

By Mrs. Owens-Hicks of Boston, for the committee on Local Affairs and Regional Government, that the Bill relative to employees of the Department of Correction and sheriffs' departments (House, No. 3413) ought to pass. Referred, under Rule 33, to the committee on Ways and Means.

By Mrs. Owens-Hicks of Boston, for the committee on Local Affairs and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill relative to the insurance of certain bonds by the town of East Longmeadow (House, No. 4731) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill relative to the terms of certain bonds of the city of Revere to be issued to finance the construction of a public safety facility (House, No. 4733) [Local Approval Received].

By the same member, for the same committee, on a petition, a Bill authorizing deferment of the Hale Hospital deficit notes by the city of Haverhill (House, No. 4735) [Local Approval Received].

Several read, and referred, under Rule 32A, to the committee on Long-Term Debt and Capital Expenditures.

Pledge of
allegiance.

Order of
Eagles.
William
Lempart.
Cecilia
Zajk.
Joseph F.
Cirigliano.

William G.
Compton.
Kevin P.
Crowley.

James
Kilduff.

Robert W.
Tobin.

Camp
counselors,
information.

Clearing
mortgage
title.

Correction,
retirement
benefits.

East
Longmeadow,
bonds.

Revere,
terms of
bonds.

Hale
Hospital.

Teleconference meetings.

By Mrs. Owens-Hicks of Boston, for the committee on Local Affairs and Regional Government, on a petition, a Bill authorizing teleconference meetings of governmental bodies in Haverhill, Massachusetts (House, No. 4734) [Local Approval Received]. Read, and referred, under Rule 33B, to the committee on Science and Technology.

Buzzards Bay oil spill.

By Mr. Greene of Billerica, for the committee on Natural Resources and Agriculture, on House, No. 4724, a Bill relating to oil spill prevention and response in Buzzards Bay and other harbors and bays in the Commonwealth (House, No. 4831). Read, and referred, under Rule 33D, to the committee on Homeland Security and Federal Affairs.

Engrossed Bill.

Bill enacted.

The engrossed Bill providing for the annual observance of Guardians' Day (see House, No. 4482, amended) (which originated in the House), in respect to which the Senate had concurred in adoption of the emergency preamble, was passed to be enacted; and it was signed by the acting Speaker and sent to the Senate.

Orders of the Day.

Second reading bill engrossed.

The Senate Bill establishing the Ipswich affordable housing trust fund (Senate, No. 1987) was read a second time; and it was ordered to a third reading.

Under suspension of the rules, on motion of Mr. Hill of Ipswich, the bill (having been reported by the committee on Bills in the Third Reading to be correctly drawn) was read a third time forthwith; and it was passed to be engrossed, in concurrence.

Order.

On motion of Mr. Finneran of Boston,—

Ordered, That when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M.

Next sitting.

At seventeen minutes after eleven o'clock A.M., on motion of Mr. Smizik of Brookline (Mr. Donato of Medford being in the Chair), the House adjourned, to meet on Monday next at eleven o'clock A.M., in an Informal Session.